

§ 101-31.204 Arranging for inspection, testing, or grading by private organizations.

(a) Inspection, testing, or grading services to be procured from a private organization shall be obtained in accordance with the agency's procurement policies and procedures subject to the following conditions:

(1) The Government agency shall determine that the organization to be retained is qualified to perform expertly the required inspection, testing, or grading services and is professionally responsible;

(2) Remuneration for performance of services shall be based on accomplishing units of work such as submission of reports on inspection, test, or grading results and shall not be based on time required to perform the services; and

(3) The organization shall be permitted to select personnel for performing the services without agency direction. An agency should specify the type of qualifications personnel performing the services should possess.

(b) When a private organization has been retained by an agency to perform technical inspection, testing, or grading services, information developed and reports issued by the organization must be evaluated and considered by the Government official or employee responsible for determining acceptability of the supplies or services.

§ 101-31.205 Referral to Comptroller General.

If an executive agency, after reviewing the requirements set forth in §§ 101-31.203 and 101-31.204 has a question regarding the propriety of utilizing a private organization's services, a complete statement of the circumstances should be forwarded to the Comptroller General of the United States for decision prior to entering into any binding arrangement with a private organization for rendering the services.

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§ 101-33.000 Scope of part.

This part prescribes policies and methods governing the economical and efficient management of public utility services by executive agencies within the United States and its insular possessions.

Subpart 101-33.0—General Provisions**§ 101-33.001 Definitions.**

As used in this part:

(a) *Public utility services* includes without limitation all utility services (except telecommunications services), such as electricity, gas, steam, water, and sewerage procured from a public